Setting up of Lakshadweep Development Corporation

2890. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reasons for setting up Lakshadweep Development Corporation on the mainland in Kerala while its registered office is at Agathi, an island in lakshadweep;

(b) whether the Government have received complaints regarding malfunctioning of the Corporation;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the achievements of the Corporation during the last two year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) The operational Headquarters of the lakshadweep Development Corporation, set up with its registered office at Agathi island, had to be shifted to the mainland in March, 1990, because of certain operational requirements and to provide thrust to its operations; to ensure better communication and transportation of the products and also better interaction with the customers as well as various developmental agencies.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) In views of (b) above does not arise.

(d) Turnover and profit of the Lakshadweep Development Corporation during the last 2 years were as under:-

Year	*Turnover*	*Profit*
1989-90	Rs. 0.11 lakh	Rs. 1.42 lakh (being interest on paid up share capital kept in FD)
1990-91	Rs. 40.04	Rs. 18.34 lakhs

Seizure of High Frequency Transmitter

2891. SHRI P.M. SAYEED;
SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Navy seized two vessels carrying explosives and high frequency transmitters off Karaikal sea coast in early November this year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the ownership of the vessels and the source from which they acquired the rare equipment like high power transmitters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (c). The information is being obtained and will be laid on the table of the House.

Rajasthan Power Projects Pending Clearance

2892. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY be pleased to state the details of pending power projects likely to be approved in 1991-92 financial year in Rajasthan and the time by which the remaining projects would be cleared?